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Webster Board of Selectmen's Meeting – February 23, 2009

7:02 P.M. Roll Call – Present: Chairman George Hashem, Selectman Thomas Mullins and Selectman David Klumb.

The Board signed the payroll check and vendor manifests as well as the following for Administrative Assistant Judith Jones:

- Selectmen Klumb made a motion to accept the Selectmen's Minutes of February 9 and 10, 2009 as written; seconded by Selectman Mullins and unanimously approved;
- The Board deeded Map 10-4-120 to the Pillsbury Lake District (it was authorized at the 2008 Town Meeting to sell certain lots to abutters). The District will now merge this lot with Map 10-9;
- Selectman Mullins made a motion to send a letter to Louis Gangi requesting what progress he has made regarding his Zoning approval to open a restaurant; as more than one year has lapsed since approval was granted, seconded by Selectman Klumb and approved; and
- The Board reviewed and approved an Application for a Solar Exemption from Michael & Heidi Pelchat, Map 5-1-6.

Mrs. Jones advised that she had received information from Assistant Director Terry Knowles from the Attorney General's Office regarding the Isabel Anderson Fund currently held by the Treasurer in the Public Deposit Investment Pool. Ms. Knowles advised that under RSA 31:25 the Trustees shall have custody of all Trust Funds held by their Town. Therefore the Treasurer will now turn this fund over to the Trustees of Trust Funds where the funds will still be in the Public Deposit Investment Pool.

Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham advised that she has submitted all the paperwork for the December 11-23, 2008 ice storm to Robert Kerek of FEMA.

Police Chief Brian Milano presented his semi-monthly report to the Board.

Road Agent Emmett Bean noted that he has run out of places to push the snow. He is having an issue with folks that are plowing snow into the roadway from their driveways. Chief Milano advised that if the offenders are identified and reported to his Department, then he would handle the issue, noting that cars have been towed in the past. As it is believed that the offender needs to be reported when seen, Sue Roberts noted that it is very difficult to make a call to the Police Department while tending all the associated precautions needed while plowing. She inquired as to whether the Police could step up patrol in the Pillsbury Lake area where most of this is occurring. Chief Milano advised that they do patrol in this area and will keep an eye out for this issue.

Chairman Hashem advised that Merrimack County Savings Bank representative Tom Dustin will send a proposal to the office for our banking needs.

Steve and Tracy Balch met with the Board for the purpose of filing a complaint regarding an incident Saturday night, February 21st against the Police Department, Fire and Rescue and inquired of the Board regarding filing a complaint against Contoocook Rescue, suggesting that a non-public session might be appropriate. Chief Milano advised that there was a Policy and Procedure in place for this purpose, which is done in writing to him or through the use of a form in the policy, either of which would be effective, noting that a public meeting was not the appropriate venue. Chief Milano advised that once the paperwork was received, he would provide a copy to

the Fire Chief, as the Fire Chief handles Fire and Rescue and Mutual Aid. Mrs. Balch requested that Chief Milano supply them with copies of any reports and information regarding the incident last Saturday. She then inquired as to how long before they could expect a response. Chief Milano estimated two weeks at the earliest, advising that it would still depend on the extent of the investigation of the allegations. Chairman Hashem inquired as to whether the Board would receive a copy, which Chief Milano indicated they would according to the Policy. Selectman Mullins inquired as to who developed the Policy. Chief Milano advised that he had at an earlier date with the then Board's review, which had been signed off on. He advised that he had used the standard national policy. Chief Milano was asked to provide the office with a copy of this Policy.

Chairman Hashem made the motion to appoint Selectman Klumb as voting representative for Webster, with Mrs. Jones as an alternate, to attend the March 2, 2009 LGC Meeting regarding the State's revenue sources to be held at the LGC building in Concord; seconded by Selectman Mullins and approved. This is expected to be the last meeting on this subject.

The Board discussed the posting of the roads with the Road Agent. The Board and Road Agent recommended amending the current "Ordinance #3 Regulating Weight Limit" to delete the current list of roads and simply state "all roads as posted by the Road Agent...". This document will be prepared for a vote by the Board at the Selectmen's Meeting on March 9th.

The Board reviewed a list of those appointed positions that will expire on March 31, 2009. Secretary Mary Smith will be asked to check with the Chairmen of each committee regarding contacting those members to see if they would like to continue on the respective Boards. The respective Board's will also be asked to recommend people to fill any vacancies. As it will be necessary to replace the two VNA representatives, several suggestions will be followed up on. The Selectmen ultimately make the appointments.

Selectman Mullins requested as to when the Board could expect the information from the Police Department requested at the February 9th meeting. Chief Milano inquired if this was a Board request, which it is, and indicated that he was working on the information, but that it would take time. He also advised the County Dispatch Records would need to be requested in writing to George Stewart of the Merrimack County Attorney's Office on Court Street. Chairman Hashem inquired if Town Counsel should make this request. Selectman Mullins will contact Attorney Bart Mayer.

Due to Chief Milano's reference to time constraints, Selectman Mullins suggested shifting the Emergency Management Director back to the Fire Chief as in the past. Selectman Mullins made the motion to shift the Emergency Management Director to the Fire Chief to be effective immediately; seconded by Selectman Klumb and approved. Mrs. Jones will e-mail the Fire Chief of this change.

7:35 P.M. Selectman Klumb made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Selectman Mullins and approved.